

DIRECT DEPOSIT SIGN-UP FORM (ISRAEL)

APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT OF UNITED STATES SOCIAL SECURITY MONTHLY BENEFITS BY DIRECT DEPOSIT

- If your name in Section 1 does not match the name on your bank account, please add this name to your bank account.
- Ask your bank to complete Section 4. Include a **voided check** if available, to help us code your direct deposit.
- Complete Sections 1-3. Sign your name in Section 3. Mail the completed form in the envelope provided.

SECTION 1 (If the address below is incorrect, or if it is your bank's address, please complete Section 1A.)		SECTION 1A (If the address in Section 1 is not your correct address, or if it is your bank's address, please print your correct mailing address below.)	
		ADDRESS CHANGE	
		SECTION 2 (Print your Israeli ID or Passport number below.)	
Social Security Claim Number	Person Entitled to Payment		

SECTION 3

PAYEE CERTIFICATION I certify that I have read and understand the back of this form. In signing this form, I authorize the Social Security Administration to send my payment to my bank and deposit it in the designated account. I understand that personal information in these payments will be treated confidentially, but I consent to disclosure of payment information that is compelled by law or necessary to protect against fraud or crime.		JOINT ACCOUNT HOLDER'S CERTIFICATION I certify that I have read and understand the back of this form, including the SPECIAL NOTICE TO JOINT ACCOUNT HOLDERS.	
SIGNATURE	DATE	SIGNATURE	DATE
YOUR DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER		This account is: My own account. A joint account.	

SECTION 4 (Ask your bank to complete this section.) This must be a **Shekel** account.

NAME OF BANK											
ADDRESS OF BANK											
BANK PHONE NUMBER											
BANK & BRANCH CODE		BANK CODE					BRANCH CODE				
ACCOUNT NUMBER											
BANK OFFICIAL'S NAME PLEASE PRINT						SIGNATURE OF BANK OFFICIAL					
Mail the completed form to one of the following:											
American Embassy Federal Benefits Unit 71 Hayarkon Street Tel Aviv 63903		American Consulate General Federal Benefits Unit 18 Agron Road Jerusalem 94190				International Treasury Services Federal Reserve Bank of New York, 1st Floor 100 Orchard Street East Rutherford, NJ 07073 USA					

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

The information you give on this form is confidential. We need the information to send your U.S. Social Security payments electronically to your bank account in Israel.

WHEN YOU WILL RECEIVE YOUR DIRECT DEPOSIT PAYMENTS

Your payment will be sent electronically through the Bank of Scotland to your financial institution in Israel, and will usually be in your Shekel account at your financial institution in Israel the day after the U.S. payment date. You can avoid waiting for your check to clear. With direct deposit you will have immediate access to your money.

HOW INTERNATIONAL DIRECT DEPOSIT SAVES YOU MONEY

With direct deposit, you will not need to pay any check cashing fees. Your benefits will be sent **electronically** to your Shekel account in your Israeli financial institution. You will not need to pay a conversion fee to get your payment in Shekels. Your U.S. Social Security payment will be automatically converted to Shekels at a good rate the day before it is deposited into your account.

IF YOUR ADDRESS CHANGES

If your address changes, you **must** inform the U.S. Social Security Administration because letters about your payments will still be mailed to your home address. If we cannot locate you, your payments may be stopped.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO JOINT ACCOUNT HOLDERS

If you have a joint account with a person who receives Social Security payments, and that person dies, you must immediately contact your bank and the U.S. Social Security Administration. Any Social Security payments deposited into a joint account after the death of a beneficiary must be returned to Social Security. As soon as we are advised of the death, if you are eligible to receive Social Security, we will determine whether your benefit amount will change and will send you any money that we owe you.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS

If you have questions, you may contact the Federal Benefits Unit at either of these addresses:

American Embassy Federal Benefits Unit 71 Hayarkon St. Tel Aviv 63903	OR	American Consulate General Federal Benefits Unit 18 Agron Rd. Jerusalem 94190
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CHANGING BANKS OR BANK ACCOUNTS

If you change your bank or your account, you **must** notify one of the offices above, or one of the following:

International Treasury Services Federal Reserve Bank of New York E. Rutherford Oper. Ctr., 1 st Floor 100 Orchard Street East Rutherford, NJ 07073 USA <i>[FRBNY is Social Security's agent for all International Direct Deposit.]</i>	OR	Social Security Administration Office of International Operations PO Box 17769 Baltimore, MD 21235-7769
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You may need to fill out a new sign-up form. **Do not close your old account until payments have started coming to your new account.**

PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT STATEMENT

This information meets the requirements of 44 U.S.C. §3507, as amended by section 2 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. You do not need to answer these questions unless we display a valid Office of Management and Budget control number. We estimate that it will take about 5 minutes to read the instructions, gather the facts, and answer the questions. You may send comments on our time estimate above to: SSA, 1338 Annex building, Baltimore, MD 21235-0001. Only comments relating to our time estimate should be provided, not the completed form.